

Hello. Thank you for taking the time to read my comments.

In reference to RM-10620, my recommendation is to dismiss the petition in it's entirety. I do not believe that amateur operators should be automatically upgraded regardless of the amount of time a person has licensed. Furthermore, I believe that such action would contradict the 'incentive licensing' policy, and discourage future education and upgrading for some amateurs.

In reference to the second issue of reinstating Novice phone privileges in the 2-meter band, I also recommend that this part of the petition be dismissed, and the Novice privileges remain unchanged. I feel that dispensing additional privileges to remaining Novice operators is completely without merit. The idea that these operators will provide public service with additional privileges is questionable, at best. More than likely, many of the operators are seldom active, and lack the motivation to upgrade, especially after the recent changes to the amateur license structure.

Sincerely,

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